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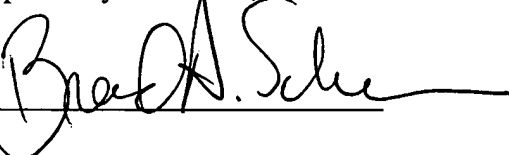
The present application is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application No. 10/008,788, filed December 7, 2001, which is a reissue of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/985,840, filed December 5, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 5,997,817, as issued with claims 1-32.

The Applicant has amended the first page of the Specification to reflect the updated priority data associated with the subject application.

The Applicant has cancelled claims 1-38 without prejudice and reserves the right to pursue those or other claims in a subsequently filed application. Additionally, the Applicant has submitted new claims 39-103 which are believed to be patentable over the art of record. The Applicant has appended to this amendment a table showing the current status of the claims and citations to the specification that support the subject matter recited in the new claims.

The Applicant respectfully requests consideration of the subject application upon entry of this Preliminary Amendment and allowance of the pending claims 39-103. If the Examiner believes there are any outstanding matters that can be addressed in a telephonic interview, the undersigned would welcome such an interview.

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ELECTROCHEMICAL)	
BIOSENSOR TEST STRIP)	

Claim Status and Support Table

Claim	Status	Support
1-38	Cancelled	Not applicable
39	Added	Column 1, line 63 to column 2, line 20; column 4, lines 12-23; column 4, lines 36-41; column 5, lines 60-67; column 8, lines 27-31; column 8, line 52 to column 9, line 9; Abstract; claims 1, 11, 25, 26, 27, 31, 32; FIGS. 1, 2, 3h, 3i, 4, 5
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42	Added	Column 2, lines 10-14
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47	Added	Column 1, line 61 to column 2, line 14; column 8, lines 29-31; column 8, line 52 to column 9, line 9; claims 26 and 32; FIGS. 1, 2, 3i
48	Added	Column 8, lines 27-31 and lines 52-55; FIGS. 2, 3h, 3i
49	Added	Column 1, line 63 to column 2, line 4; column 8, lines 52-67; FIGS. 1, 2, 3h, 3i
50	Added	Column 3, lines 1-2; FIG. 2
51	Added	Column 5, lines 3-9; column 8, lines 37-47; claims 2, 5, 7, 10, 12, 17, 19; FIGS. 2, 4, 5
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